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REV. DR. TALMAGE'S SUNDAY MORN-ING DISCOURSE.

The Figure Seven Crowned Above Al!

the Tabernacie the Rev. T. De Witt Tal-mage, D. D., gave a running commentary on the twentieth chapter of Revelation,

Naaman for the cure of his leprosy plunged in the Jordan seven times; the dead child, when Elisha breathed into its mouth, signaled its arrival back into consciousness by sneezing seven times; to the house that Ezekiel saw in vision there were seven steps; the walls of Jericho before they consciousness with the figure of the cross was libbed out that the crescent of the barbarous Turk might be substituted. A great church but no Christ! A gorgoous candlestick but no Christ! A gorgoous candlestick but no candle! Ten thousand such the walls of Jericho before they light as one home made the constant of the future. in vision there were seven steps; the walls of Jericho before they fell down were compassed seven days; Zachariah describes a stone with seven eyes; to cleanse a leprous house the door eyes; to cleanse a leprous house the door examines the door examines the seven the door examines the seven days; as much light as one home made tallow candle by which last night eyes; to cleanse a leprous house the door examines the door who can break the seal of the future. Bible prophecy was not written to help us to tell things in the future, seven times: in Canaan were overthrown seven nations; on one occasion Christ

and seven plagues, and seven thunders, Yea, this numeral seven seems a favorite with the Divine mind outside as well as inside the Bible, for are there not goods works may glorify your Father seven prismatic colors? And when God with the minbow wrote the comforting thought that the world would never have another deluge, he wrote it on the scroll of the sky in ink of seven colors. He sat on seven hills. When God would make the most intelligent thing on earth, the human countenance, he fashions it with neven features-the two cars. the two eyes, the two nostrils and the month. Yes, our body lasts only seven years, and we gradually shed it for another body after another seven years, and candlesticks, the seven stars, the seven

seals and the seven thunders. THE SEVEN GOLDEN CANDLESTICKS were and are the churches. Mark you, be, candles. They are only candlesticks. They are not the light, but they are to is in immensity room enough for all the out whether in your own personal life or might have in it five hundred candle- for all the ministers. The ministers who world it is going to be the white horse of sticks, and yet you could not see your hand before your face. The only use of get punishment enough anyhow, for they black horse of famine. You will soon hand before your face. The only use of a candlestick, and the only use of the blackness of darkness for ever." But I should like as a minister, will take care of itself. If a man live is to be embedded, this strata of green is to be photography is in a scroll having at least seven seals; and let him not during the first ten years of his life try to look into the twenties, nor the thirties into the thirties. The whole race goes stumbling over condole with him: "I led them straight; into the forties, nor the forties into sticks, I cast no slur on candlesticks. The believe in beautiful candlesticks. The candlesticks that God ordered for the ancient tabernacle were something exquisite. They were a dream of beauty carved out of loveliness. They were of this world, we will wheel into higher of gold and had six branches of gold blooming all along in six lilies of gold each, and lips of gold from which the candles lifted their holy fire. And the last bourses in any city ought to be candles lifted their holy fire. And the Lest houses in any city ought to be the churches—the best built, the best ventilated, the best swept, the best windowed and the best chandeliered. Log cabins may do in neighborhoods where most of the people live in log cabins; but let there be related by the churches for regions where many them in their pulpits, and a grander array of men never breathed, and the Bible ray of the production of the product of the fitting hypocrites, as some would have you think! Forgive me, if having in your presence at other in the product of the future. And meeting some undertaker you would say: "I hope you will keen yourself free for an engagement the 4th of July, 1890. That day you will be needed at my house. To save time you might as well take my measure now, five feet, eleven inches."

I am glad that Christ dropped a thick yeil over the hour of our demise and the paintini churches for regions where many of men never breatned, and the Bible of the people live in palaces. Do not figure is not strained when it calls them hour of the world's destruction when he

have a better place for yourself than for your Lord and King. Do not live in a parlor and put your Christ in a kitchen. These seven candlesticks of which I speak were not made out of pewter or iron; they were golden candlesticks, and gold is not only a valuable but a bright metal. Have everything about four church bright—your ushers with smiling faces, your music jubilant, your hand shaking cordint, your entire service attractive. Many people feel that in church they must look dull in order to be reverential, and many whose faces in other kinds of assemblage show all the different phases of emotion, have in church no more expression than the back wheel of

following ages have taken from the Arabians. It stands between the figure six and the figure eight. In the Bible all the other numerals bow to it. Some three hundred times is it mentioned in the Scriptures, either alone or compounded with other words. In Genesis the week with other words. In Genesis the week is rounded into seven days, and I use my is rounded into seven days, and I use my is rounded into seven days, and I use my is rounded into seven days, and I use my is rounded into seven days, and I use my is rounded into seven days, and I use my is rounded into seven days, and I use my is rounded into seven days, and I use my is rounded into seven days, and I use my is rounded into seven days, and I use my out of colored marble; a cupola with an analysis of the seven days, and I use my out of colored marble; a cupola with the second seal and unrolled again and an analysis of the seven days, and I use my out of colored marble; a cupola with the second seal and unrolled again and there was a paint ingolden rule that we must "do to others as we would have them do to us?" No, it will not be done that way. What is needed, and what will come, is the seven thunders. There is drunkenness backed up by a capital mightier than in any other business. Intoxicating liquors contained to the seven that the best policy? Or by soft repetition of the golden rule that we must "do to others as we would have them do to us?" No, it will not be done that way. What is needed, and what will come, it will not be done that way. A quite the seroll, and there was a paint ingolden rule that we must "do to others as we would have them do to us?" No, it will not be done that way. There is drunkenness backed up by a capital mightier than in any other than the property and trumph for the Roman and the figure six and worldliness. A worldly church in received the seroll, and there was a paint ingolden rule that we must "do to others as we would have them do to us?" No, it will not be done that way. A final received the seroll, and there was a ont of colored marble; a cupola with twenty-four windows soaring to the first introduced in a journey which halts not until in the close of the Book of Revelations its monument is built into the wall of heaven in chrysolite which in the strata of precious stones is the seventh. In the Bible we find that Jacob had to serve seven years to get Rachel, but she was well worth it; and foretelling the years of prosperity and famine in Pharaoh's time the seven fat oxen were eaten up of the seven fat oxen were eaten up of the seven halts on seven pillars; and the ark was left with the Phillistines seven years; and Naaman for the cure of his leprosy planged in the Jordan seven times; the

put on her glasses and read the Psalms of David in large type. Up with the churches, by all means! Hundreds of them, thousands of them, and the more than, thousands of them, and the more laborated by the study of fed a multitude of people with seven loaves, the fragments left filling seven backets; and the closing passages of the Bible are magnificent and overwhelming the more than the better. But let each one be a blaze of heavenly light making the world brighter and brighter till the last shadow that is going to happen a year from now, or twenty years from now. with the imagery made up of seven fering children of God shall have reached churches, seven stars, seven candlesticks, seven angels, and seven series, and seven crowns, and seven borns, and seven spirits, and seven vials, and seven vials, and seven plagues, and seven borns, and seven plagues, and seven plagues, and seven plagues, and seven burders. number of lights! "Let your light so

shine before men that they seeing your which is in heaven." Turn now in your Bible to THE SEVEN STARS. We are distinctly told that they are

go to hunting down other stars. Minis- shelf in that apothecary's store than the ters of religion should never clash. But shelf on which are the belladonna and in all the centuries of the Christian church some of these stars have been hunting an Edward Irving or a Horace Bushnell or an Albert Barnes, and the stars that were in pursuit of the other stars lost their own will break them soon enough.

didn't I lead them straight, general?"

ous ministers have already taken their places on high, where they shine even places on high, where they shine even brighter than they shone on earth; Edward N. Kirk, of the Congregational church; Stephen H. Tyng, of the Episcopal church; Matthew Simpson, of the Methodist church; John Dowling, of the Methodist church; John Dowling, of the about them

mage, D. D., gave a running commentary on the twentieth chapter of Revelation, concerning the claiming of the Old Dragon. The congregation joined in singing the familiar hymn of Paul Gerhart, beginning:

'Give te the winds thy fears, Hope and the ends was a conditional to the Bible of the Bible in the Bible, and this text, Genesia it, 23.

'God blessed the seventh day." The Deter said:

The mathematics of the Bible is noticeable; the geometry and the arithemtic; the square in Ezekiel; the circle spoken of in banish, the curve alluded to in Job; the rule of fractions mentioned in Daniel; the rule of fractions mentioned in Daniel; the rule of feather what it would "profit a man't he gain the whole world and loss his soul." But there is

ONE MATHEMATICAL FIGURE

That is crowned above all others in the following ages have taken from the Arabians. It stands between the figure sight. In the Bible all the following ages have taken from the Arabians. It stands between the figure sight. In the Bible all the following ages have taken from the Arabians and the figure eight. In the Bible all the following ages have taken from the Arabians, and the figure eight. In the Bible all the following ages have taken from the Arabians, and the figure eight. In the Bible all the following ages have taken from the Arabians and the figure eight. In the Bible all the following ages have taken from the Arabians and the figure eight. In the Bible all the following ages have taken from the Arabians and the figure eight. In the Bible all the following ages have taken from the Arabians and the figure eight. In the Bible all the following ages have taken from the Arabians and the figure eight. In the Bible all the following ages have taken from the Arabians and the figure eight. In the Bible all the following ages have taken from the arabians and residence have a manifest and worldliness. A worldly to have a can be an an and an one and the figure eight. In the Bible all the following ages have taken from the Arabians and the figure eight. In

now, or twenty years from now, or one of expounders and preachers of prophecy ended his life a few years since, and where you may regale the visitors of the

institution by incoherent mumblings over something from Daniel or Revelations about the leopard which means Greece, and the bear which means Medo-Persia, and the image with the great toes. What the ministers of religion. Some of them a mental wreck did the persistent at-are large stars, some of them small stars, tempt to forestall events make of that some of them sweep a wide circuit and some of them a small circuit, but so far as they are genuino they get their light houses to hold the demented victims of from the great central sun around whom the improper use of the prophecies of they make revolution. Let each one Daniel and Revelation. What! are not keep in his own sphere. The solar sys- those books to be studied? Yes. No tem would soon be wreeked if the stars part of the Bible is more important. instead of keeping their own orbit should Neither is there any more important

orbit, and some of them could never Don't go to some necromancer or again find it. Alas for the heresy bunters! The best way to destroy error is to preach the truth. The best way to scatter darkness is to strike a light. There was to find out what is going to happen to yourself, or your family, or your friends. Wait till Christ breaks the seal to find the fifties, nor the fifties into

and empty flour barrels, and desolated cradles, and deathbeds. Oh, how much this battlefield of truth against error. ties. From the way the years have got this battlefield of truth against error. Great at last will be our chagrin if we fall leading the people the wrong way; but great will be our gladness if when the battle is over we can hand our sword back to our great Commander, saying: "Lord Jesus! We led the people straight;" Those ministers who go off at a tangent and preach some other Gospel are not stars but comets, and they flash across the between a little while and make people the wrong way; but great will be our gladness if when the battle is over we can hand our sword back to our great Commander, saying: "Lord Jesus! We led the people straight;" Those ministers who go off at a tangent and preach some other Gospel are not stars but comets, and they flash across the but comets, and they flash across the but comets, and they flash across the but comets, and throw down a few meteoric stare, and throw down a few meteoric stones, and then go out of sight if not out of existence, Oh, brethren in the ministery, let us remember that God calls us that? It would from now until then be

said: "Of that day and hour knoweth no man; no, not the angels, but my Father only." Keep your hands off the seven foundation of which is jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, a chalcedony; the fourth, an emerald; the fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chryso-

Methodist church; John Dowling, of the Baptist church; Samuel K. Talmage, of the Presbyterian church; Dr. De Witt, of the Reformed church; John Chambers, of the Independent church; and there I stop, for it so happens that I have mentioned the seven stars of the seven which will require at least seven volleys. thurches.

I pass on to another mighty Bible to prostrate them. We are all doing nice, delicate, soft handed work in

churches and reformatory institutions against the evils of the world, and much of it amounts to a teaspoon dipping out the Atlantic ocean, or a clam shell out the Atlantic ocean, or a clau digging away at a mountain, or a tack hammer smiting the Gibraltar. What is needed is thunderbolts, and at least seven of them. There is the long line of the Main.

The largest railway station in Europe, and probably in the world, is the new central railway station at Frankfort-on-the-Main. of them. There is the long line of frandulent commercial establishments; every stone in the foundation, and every brick in the wall, and every nail in the of poorly paid sewing girls' arms in every beam of that establishment; human nerves worked into every figure of that embroidery; blood in the deep dye of that coffered upholstery; billions of dollars of accumulated fraud intrenched

parries manipulated by unscrupu-lous men until the monopoly is defiant of all earth and all heaven. How shall the evil be overcome? By best policy? Or by soft repetition of the golden rule that we must "do to others as we would have them do to us?" No,

atheism with their magazines of litera-ture scoffing at our Christianity; their Hoe printing presses busy day and night. There are their blaspheming apostles, their drunken Tom Paines and libertine Voltaires of the present as well as the past, re enforced by all the powers of darkness, from highest demon to lowest

imp. What will extirpate those mon-Brown's shorter catechism about "Who made vou?" or Westminster catechism about "What is the chief end of man?" Thunderbolts! The seven thun-For the impurities of the world empalaced as well as cellared, epauletted as well as ragged, enthroned as well as ditched; for corrupt legislation which at

times makes our state and national capitals a hemispheric stench; for supersti-tions that keep whole nations in squalor, century after century, their Juggernauts crushing, their knives lacerating, their waters drowning, their funeral pyres burning, the seven thunders. Oh, men and women, disheartened at

begin. Thunderbolts! Depend upon it, that what is not done under the flash of the been generally understood that that was ever built, or ever will be constructed, the wall of heaven. It is

stones in that wall, the Bible cries out:

seventh layer of the heavenly wall, the earthly experiences, and noticing that this green chrysolite is the seventh layer of crystallized magnificence we may bethink ourselves of the domin-ation of that numeral seven over all other numerals, and thank God that in the dark earth we left behind us we so long enjoyed the light of the seven golden candlesticks, and were all of us permitted to shine among the seven stars of more or less magnitude, and that all the seven scals of the mysterious future have been broken wide open for us by a loving Christ, and that the seven thunders having done their work have ceased reverberation, and that the numeral seven, which did such tremendous work in the

ITEMS OF ALL SORTS

There are now more Chinamen in the

The queen of Italy, whose teeth are fine, keeps an American dentist always at court.

The empress of Germany nurses her baby. As the little one has been made a colonel in a German regiment and already belongs to various orders of the knighthood, he is worthy of his honor. The returns of the Paris mont de piete for the last year show that 1,384,079 articles were pawned for a total of 85,-883,000 francs. The average sum lent was 23 francs 48 centimes. Applications to borrow were first years in Janu-

The war wave has swept even Switzerland. Her military budget, which was treatises on the maxim: Honesty is the 11,000,000 francs ten years ago, is now

A queer story is told of a Kansas City woman. She was traveling with her husband, and when the conductor came tain of this host! Blessed servant of the Lord, he falls on his face and worships and says, in meek subjection and obedience:

1. "Jericho was straitly shut up." As if to other business. Intoxicating liquors enough in this country to float a navy. Good grain to the amount of 67,950,000 to him. She had been carrying on a content of the amount of 67,950,000 to him. She had been carrying on a content of the amount of 67,950,000 to him. She had been carrying on a content of the amount of 67,950,000 to him. She had been carrying on a content of the amount of 67,950,000 to him. She had been carrying on a content of the amount of 67,950,000 to him. She had been carrying on a content of the amount of 67,950,000 to him. She had been carrying on a content of the amount of 67,950,000 to him. She had been carrying on a content of the amount of 67,950,000 to him. She had been carrying on a content of the amount of 67,950,000 to him. She had been carrying on a content of the amount of 67,950,000 to him. She had been carrying on a content of the amount of 67,950,000 to him. She had been carrying on a content of the amount of 67,950,000 to him. She had been carrying on a content of the amount of 67,950,000 to him. She had been carrying on a content of the amount of 67,950,000 to him.

Mediæval superstitions linger in Aus-Mediæval superstitions linger in Austria. The burgomaster of Zuraki, in Galicia, has just instituted a prosecution before the criminal court of Solotwina against a man named Jean Kowalesink for having the his many shut itself for having "by his malicious sorceries and incantations caused a hailstorm to near when it shall be said "come, my people, ." The damages are laid at 6,000

G. C. Clark, of New Haven, has in his front yard a couple of rose geraniums ten feet high. These plants were raised front slips in two years. He recently set them outdoors, as they had grown too tall for the rooms in the house. The rose geranium is the largest and fastest growing variety of the plant, but ten feet is a remarkable height even for that species.

In the home of Maj. Rowland, commandant of the Soldiers' home at Quiney.

in a doomed world, all indifferent to intrinsic value than on anything else you as a crime. A man's buildings are not take to a pawnbroker's. You see, the over from London about 100 years ago and taken to Illinois when the state was but sparsely settled. It is of rosewood, host to Joshua, and this captain was none the gold can always be turned into beautifully inlaid and decorated, with a other than the Lord Himself, the same who keyboard hardly longer than that of a child's piano of today. Its strings give forth a harp like tone when struck. It given them" (John xvii, 22); and who says is the oldest piano in the state.

the Observer stood in a crowd of green | glorify God and honor His name. We have looking people who were listening to a lightning lipped auctioneer dilating on kind, for He who is with us, whose we are the value of some curious coins he offered for sale. One of those he held up to the the bad way things often go, hear you admiration of the assembled numismatnot a rumbling down the sky of heavy artillery, coming in on our side, the seven thunders of the Almighty? Don't let us the crowd disputed its authenticity, and the crowd disputed its authenticity. too heavy and too fiery for us to handle; but God can and God will; and when all mercy has failed and all milder the place into a veritable delating club. means are exhausted, then judgment will | Some of the facts brought out in the dis-

the seven candlesticks will be done by the Confederate treasury never coined Jericho, not by their power of might but by the trampling of the seven thunders. But I leave this imperial and multi- there were four silver half dollars coined numbering over 600,000 (Num. xxvi, 51), were potent numeral seven where the Bible in the month of April, 1861, as sample to compass the city once a day for six day leaves it, imbedded in the finest wall pieces, but the difficulty of obtaining and on the seventh day they were to do realized, and on April 30, 1861, the atof precions stones that make up that tempt to coin silver money was given up and the mint was closed. Thus the only the armed men going first; but until the wall. After naming six of the precious | coin ever made by the Confederacy were these four half dollars, and the connois-"The seventh chrysolite!" The chryso- seurs in such things have been hunting lite is an exquisite green, and in that seventh layer of the heavenly wall shall are known to be in New Orleans in possesbe preserved forever the dominant color of the earth we once inhabited. I have sometimes been saddened at the thought that this world, according to science and revelation is to be blowed.

Graphic "Observer." A Kansas Advertiser's Ingenious Trick. It is possible to coat wood surfaces covers the earth, the color of the foliage | with preparations of oil and other liquids that fills the forest, the color of the deep sea. One glance at that green chryso-ward will either refuse to take hold or lite, a million years after this planet has will readily wear off. An ingenious been extinguished, will bring to mind Kansas advertiser recently took advanjust how it looked in summer and spring. tage of this fact. He bribed a painter just how it looked in summer and spring, and we will say to those who were born blind on earth, and never saw at all in this world, after they have obtained full eyesight in heaven:
"If you would know how the earth appeared in June and August, look at that seventh layer of the heavenly wall, the seventh layer of the heavenly wall, the piration of two weeks, when there had green of the chrysolite." And while we stand there and talk, spirit with spirit, that old color of the earth which had more sway than all the other colors put together, will bring back to us our together, will bring back to us our together.

It is a sad commentary on the gratitude of people to know that the grave of Francis Marion, in Georgetown county, is in a dilapidated and tumble down con-dition. A broken marble slab is all that remains to tell where repose the ashes of this hero of other days, the "Swamp Fox" of the revolution. Others no more renowned have monuments to tell of their deeds, but none for him. Yet, when all was gloomy and the people in despair, it was very largely through his skill, courage and energy that the death blow was struck to the Tories and British in the history of nations on earth, has been low country, and thus made possible the given such a hien place in that Niagara of colors, the wall of heaven, "the first series of victories ending at Yorktown. Manning (S. C.) Times.

THE FALL OF JERICHO.

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When the power of the Lord was see behalf of His people, then the hearts of their enemies failed them and there was no spirit left in them (v. 1). Because there is so little of the power of God manifest today on behalf of His people, by reason of their unbelief, therefore the enemies of God are rebellious and despise His people. As soon as the nation had crossed the Jordan and entered the land Joshua caused to be circumcised all who had been born since they had left Egypt, and then they kept the passover on the four-teenth day of the month; thus with the re proach of Egypt rolled away, and living in obedience to God, they were ready to go used and possess the land, overcoming all of stacles. They had also eaten of the fruit of the land, the manna having ceased, and thus they were strengthened for victory (v, 9-12). Another most interesting and important incident is recorded in the closing verses of the fifth chapter, as a last prepara tion for their moving forward. Joshus, Jericho, sees a man over against him with drawn sword in his hand, and approach

him with the question: "Art thou for us or for our adversaries?" The reply is: "As captain of the host of the Lord am I now come." Will Joshua submit to be ruled over and dictated to by another, or will be assert his dignity and reply that he himself is cap-tain of this host! Blessed servant of the

which was gathered a company of those who feared and trusted in the God of Israel. evastate the fields of Zuraki on July enter thou into thy chambers and shut thy doors about thee; hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be G. C. Clark, of New Haven, has in his overpast; for, behold, the Lord cometh out of His place, to punish the inhabitants of the

days of Lot, and just so was it in Jericho. 2. "See, I have given into thine hand Jericho." Thus said the captain of the Lord's on this class of goods than others because to us: "All things are yours; ye are my Witnesses; go ye, therefore; lo, I am with you." We have only to thankfully receive, gladly enjoy and hasten to possess fully the land of our inheritance, that thus we may

Jesus Christ, once dead but now alive for-

thereby false witnesses, and guilty of great ingratitude? 3-5. Here are instructions clear and simple for the seven days, and the result of their obedience is plainly stated to be the fall of

no sound of a human voice to be heard (v blown by the seven priests who marched before the Ark. ' 6-11. As the Lord commanded Jeshan P.

each morning and return to each evening the flesh reckened dead, "not I but Christ; the blood cleansing Jesus Himself satisfying and our bodies a living sacrifice into Him in the morning and the resting place in the evening, and as we go forth each day it is to bear the Ark and blow the trumpet; or like Gideon's three hundred let the light shine and blow the trumpet; in other words, bear

they were obeying God, and the result was sure in His time.

15, 16. "Shout; for the Lord bath given you the city." If the people of Jericho watched these strange doings with either increasing or decreasing interest, there must have been some excitement when, on the seventh day, instead of returning to camp, they began to compass the city the second time; and when the tidings spread within the city that they were starting the third time, and the fourth, and the fifth, we can almost imagine that by the time Istoream of the Princess', and is soon to have another theatre built for her. Mrs. Lohn Wood.

THE PAWNBROKER'S CLERK. What He Says About Business at Various

In a long conversation with the pa broker's clerk the reporter gless much information as to his business. the clerk himself said, there was no other calling in which one could view so many

phases of human nature. While almost to the most inconceivable things, is pawned, there is also a certain regularity in the business at the various seasons.

For instance, in the spring the winter for instance, in the spring the winter creator has accompanied the gift of life creator has a companied the gift of life cr overcoat is taken to "uncle's," and there it remains until the chilly winds of November arrive, when it is redeemed and stinct appears in timidity and shrinking the summer clothing takes its place.
One peculiarity was learned about winter clothing that is pawned, and that is that wounded thing will exert its last strength the pawnbrokers' stores in the more fash-

able portion of the city have a lively As for the human species, we have it on custom in sealskin sacks, which are pledged in early spring and by people lath will be give for his life." who do not need the money.

"How do you account for this?" was of the facts would expect to so conasked the clerk. "Well, many of these women who

keep them with as much care as they do
in those stores, and we give good value
on a sealskin, as a good article is always

when for this or that cause, and often
for no cause that is evident, some choose
death rather than life!
Suicide is not entirely confined to the marketable. The women get the money, and I think they imagine that if anything should harmen that the store should be burnt, or so on, that their loss would not be so great."

Sincate is not entirely commed to the human species. There are numerous well authenticated instances of different animals deliberately killing themselves when circumstances rendered life no longer desirable. A recent traveler in

It is in the poorer districts of the city, however, where poverty flourishes, that the pawnbrokers do a thriving trade. There are numerous families whose Sunday clothes are taken out of pawn regu-larly on Saturday night and pledged again on Monday. "It is always the woman who

ens of them that I never open the bun-dle. They get the same amount with unfailing regularity. For such pawn bundles the loan averages from \$2 to \$10, rarely more. The poor people bring everything to us-clocks, irons, washboards, rolling pins, dustpans—almost every article you can imagine of utility in a house. Sometimes they are in the most battered state, and it is only be-cause they bring a number of them that they can get any money at all on them. Banjos, violins, accordions, cornets and all kinds of musical instruments are brought to us. Jewelry and ments are brought to us. Jewelry and ments are brought to us. Jewelry and ments are brought to us. Jewelry and blocks to one who believes in a gracious overruling power and the better life to come. A portion of the alarming watches and chains are also objects which are pawned with the greatest frequency. Do we loan fair value on them?
Well, hardly. After all, jewelry and gems and diamonds are harder to sell than most people imagine, so that we have to have a tolerably big margin on the safe side. Now, on solid gold ornalaw is founded on the divine law, self ments or chains you can get nearer the destruction must necessarily be regarded carat or quality of the gold is known, and then it is simply a question of the

"I knew a swell," said the clerk, "or rather a would be swell-he was a clerk with a down town firm-who pawned his signet ring and watch and chain with me every Tuesday for two years. On Saturday afternoons he would redeem them. Sundays he would disport himself in them, and, curiously enough, also on Monday, but on Tuesday they would have to go to his 'uncle's.' He would also redeem them to wear on general holidays, such as the Fourth of July, Christmas and so on. That fellow, in

frequent patrons of pawnshops. People who are well to do, who would be shocked at the suggestion of their 'uncle,' visit us, I assure you, quite often. They always enter the office stealthily and glance around furtively as if afraid they might be recognized. Even people who are reputed extremely wealthy resort to the pawnbroker's or pieces, but the difficulty of obtaining and on the seventh day they were to do it more occasions than you imagine. bullion for the mint was very promptly seven times; seven priests, each with a Sports are good customers. They always indulg lavishly in diamonds and jew-elry, and, strange as it may seem, they never part with them. They will not seventh time on the seventh day there was sell them outright, but if they get 'broke' they put them 'in soak.' They are good 10), nothing but the sound of the ram's horns customers of the pawnbrokers, are sporting men. Yes, sir."-New York Presa.

Great Britain has just taken her share of East Africa by annexing a slice from the sea coast to Lake Nyassa, north of science and revelation, is to be blotted out of existence, for it is such a beautiful world. But here in this layer of the couple of thousand dollars.—New York the great procession was the Ark of the Zanzibar, about as large as Pennsylvania, and with a population of some 2,000,000. The region is to be worked by a new East compassed the city, going about it once."
Thus they did the first day and returned and lodged in the camp at Gilgal. The place of rolling away the reproach p. Egypt, keeping the passover and submitting to the glorious Contain is the only place to start out from events, gives Great Britain one of the best harbors on the coast at Mombassa, place no one knows now, but which history will doubtless make familiar when each day and hour; this is the starting place | the great struggle for East Africa begins, -Frank Leslie's.

A Noted Pair of Dwarfs

Early in the century a brother and sister attracted great attention for small-Christ about everywhere and sound forth His praises as Redeemer and King 12-14. "And the second day they compassed the city once and returned into the camp; so they did six days." Just the same order of march, just the same solemn pro-cession, the blowing of trumpets the only height. Five years later, he had gained sound heard, and the same quiet return to Gilgal without apparently any result; but three inches, but at the age of \$60 had reached to thirty-three inches, at 30 the they were obeying God, and the result was

the third time, and the fourth, and the fifth, we can almost imagine that by the time Israel was about to start the seventh time all Jericho was alarmed and crowded the walls to see what would be next. At the appointed time the people shouted with a great shout (v. 20), the wall fell down flat, and except Eahab and all who were with her, every one and every thing in Jericho perished. All was accomplished as God had said. American bred canaries become harsher in each generation. German birds must

THE ETHICS OF SUICIDE.

its first love, and that utter contempt and intolerance of it which induces self destruction. By all human laws, the man every article that is manufactured, even who takes another's life in defending his

"Well, many of these women who own sealskins seem to prefer bringing them to us instead of taking them to a regular furrier's. We handle them and keen them with as much core as them and keen them with as much care as them and women. The analysis of the seems, when for this or that cause, and often

Suicide is not entirely confir

the tropics tells of coming at various poisonous serpent within a circle of leaves of the prickly cactus, and later the riddle was solved by his seeing some monkeys engaged in surrounding a sleep brings the bundle," continued the clerk, "and I am so well acquainted with dozprisoned and all its attempts to escape futile, the serpent presently took refuge in stinging its own body and dying at once. It is commonly reported that the

same thing happens when a poisonous snake is hemmed in by fire, in a spasm of desperation at finding no chance of es-cape, it turns its means of self defense into means of self destruction. The animal kingdom is a law unto itself. Not so with man. He is subject to the higher law of duty and accountaconfessed, awaken only the sincerest causes that have actuated the victims his own in the sense that he can set them weight, and we can venture to loan more

> is but one among the common methods for shuflling off this mortal coil. Passion, impetuosity and, above all, infidelity, are prominent factors in recruiting the army of suicides. Statistics of all nations show that occasionally there occurs what has been called an epidemic of suicide; though whether this is an illustration of the force of example, or mind how seldom middle aged and old the result of some general impelling force, such as temperature during the exhausting heat of summer, remains an unsettled question. That the month of in the morning, as soon as on my feet, July has long been noted for the large has turned the bend of my back to the number of its suicides favors the latter conclusion. Of direct causes among young people, affairs of the heart, lov matters that have taken an unfortunate turn, must be reckoned the leading one. Very often, too, the circumstances at-tending these cases are unspeakably pa-thetic. Next come losses of money and business, friends and health. Of criminals who have recourse to daggar, bullet or rope to evade just penalty, it is they belong. Anyhow, I know it makes unnecessary to speak.

There is a moral cowardice in fleeing from the battle of life, which strikingly contrasts with the patient, herole endurance of multitudes of men and women in every land and in all sorts of hard conditions. To the tempted it might serve as a tonic to read history on this point, or better, to recall events. Think, for example, of the crew of the Jean-Delta, dying of slow starvation, yet brave to the last. But what need to go beyond the streets of a city, with its views of pinched and haggard faces and toiling decrepitude, for heroes and hero-ines that shall be forever nameless?-Lavinia S. Goodwin in Boston Globe.

. As Old as the Execus, A most interesting experiment culmi-A most interesting experiment culmi-nated the other day in the raising of some the family to whom they belong, and to wheat grown from seeds as old as the whom they appear when danger or miswheat grown from seeds as old as the Exodus. The experimenter is David Drew, who last year received from a friend in Alexandria, Egypt, some grains of wheat taken from a mummy exhumed near the ruins of Memphis, and belonging, it is believed, to the period of the Ninth Dynasty, which would make it grown about 3,000 B. C., or be nearly 5,000 years old. He planted the seed early in the spring, and rarefully nursed it. It grew rapidly, and at the time of cutting measured from six and a half to seven feet high. The leaves alternate on the stalk like common wheat, but the product of the plant is the most singular

larger crop will be grown pext year, as the result proves this ground to exceed in quality anything that the modern grain can grow.—Plymouth (Mass.) Cor, Bird fanciers say that the voices of

be constantly imported to preserve a

Nizhni-Novgorod is an iron steamer of about 3,800 tons burden and is specially the greater number of these murde

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A Cargo of Russian Criminals.

I was enabled to inspect the interna

rrangements of the Russian convict ransport. Nizhmi-Novgorod, which sails acuce with 460 criminal deportes for the tussian penal island of Eaghalien. The

acled and crouching at the end of one of the cages was a convict about 35 years of age. There was nothing particularly villainous in the man's face, though i was by no means well favored by natu What struck me especially was his pallid look and apparently general bodily lan ria for life, the first five years' hard labor to escape, and was only rearrested aft committing a second murder.

He is now sentenced to mine labor in Sagnatien for life, to receive 125 blows of the knowt on arrival on the island, and thereafter to be claimed to his barrow or hand wagon for the first twelve mon no unchaining; the chains are welded on the convict's limbs. "How long do you imagine this poor wretch will exist unde the conditions of his first year's punish ment?" I asked my guide, who has spent some years of official service in Saghalien Posibly a month-or two. The shorter the better for the poor devil." It is this question which does not appear to occur the "humanitarian" defenders of the terribly large in Russia. The convict's horror and dread of having to live out these sentences is shown by the desperate attempts at self destruction he is ever ready to make. The scene on board these departing ships is altogether sadder and depressing, perhaps the more so that one does not hear a murmur or lament from the stolid looking and broken spir ited wretches crowded behind the bars of these cages, which remind the spectator only too forcibly of the wild beast dens we are accustomed to see in a traveling menagerie.—Odessa Cor. London News.

How to Prolong Life

I have been much interested in recent articles on "The Christian Science," "No Prolongation of Life." I like those nity; much less is his life—a possession articles amazingly well, as for years I which cannot be redored—so exclusively have had a hobby like them and am still personal that he has the right to end it by violence in an hour of discourage and it doesn't matter whether your personal that he has the right to end it ment or disgust.

thinker is wound up and going or not.

The yearly list of suicides in some of If I tell you of it, in an old fashioned the countries of Europe is appalling to contemplate. The waters of the Seine give up their dead daily, and drowning feel ten or more years younger, it may

do some good.

Please call to mind how listlessly old people crawl out of bed in the morning, also if there are any young people in the room getting up, notice how stretch themselves. Also call to mind how a person just recovering from a sick bed is inclined to do the same. Call to folks are inclined to stretch unless ex-

pecting something of importance. I have found that a good, long stretch front, has taken the stoop out of my shoulders, and my wife says my hair is becoming dark again. I have sons past 30 years of age who step no lighter than I; and as for my eating qualifications. I defy any man to get away with me.
Of course I take a stretch several times a day, with great benefit. I don't know

why it does me good, only to force the blood and other juices of the body where me feel young, and others I have told about it say it does them great good .--James Laurie in New York Sun.

Superstitions of the Highland The belief in fairies and brownies,

he more playful and fanciful kind of fairy, seems to belong more to the Low-lands of Scotland than the Highlands, The character of the people was softer, nette in their frozen fastnesses, and of Capt, DeLong and his men in the Lena lief found a more fitting home there than in the Highlands, where the gloomy and austere character of the people led them to invest the supernatural inhabitants of their glens and mountains with something more akin to their own darker and sterner natures.

warnings, that come in gruesome guisc

part of it, for, instead of grawing in the ear like modern const. there is a heavy cluster of small twigs in place of the spindle which hangs downward from its weight, and each twig is thickly studded with kernels, each of which is in a separate husk. From what is threshed a larger crop will be grown next year, as At this stage of the preceedings we fall a number of thin planks fastened across them so as to make a kind of rude footway; but the addition of a handrail on either side is absolutely necessary to make this primitive bridge passable at all, for by the time you get near the middle of it the whole construction is rocking to and fro like a swing, making you feel very

much as if ton were an acrobat dancing

troop a clark rope.—David Ker in New York Times.

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